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TO AMEMBASSY LUSAKA IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY GABORONE PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMEMBASSY KINSHASA

AMCONSUL LUBUMBASHI

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI OCLR XA

SUBJECT: OVERFLIGHT CLEARANCE FOR ATTACHE AIRCRAFT

REFERENCE: (A) STATE 037225; (B) LUSAKA 0386

FOR AMBASSADOR

FOR DEF ATTACHE PRETORIA

1. WE FULLY UNDERSTAND YOUR CONCERN RE SUBMITTING FORMAL REQUEST TO GRZ FOR OVERFLIGHT OF ATTACHE AIRCRAFT DESTINED FOR SOUTH AFRICA, AND WE RECOGNIZE POSSIBILITY THAT GRZ MAY NOT RESPOND FAVORABLY TO SUCH REQUEST.

2. NEVERTHELESS USG CONSIDERS IT IMPORTANT TO GET AIRCRAFT TO SOUTH AFRICA. FERRYING PROCESS HAS ALREADY TAKEN SIX  
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WEEKS. THERE IS NO OTHER ROUTE AT THIS TIME TO GET AIR-

CRAFT FROM KINSHASA TO PRETORIA EXCEPT BY OVERFLYING ZAMBIA, SINCE WE ARE NOT WILLING FOR SAFETY AS WELL AS POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS (WHICH KAUNDA SHOULD APPRECIATE) TO TAKE CHANCE OF ITS FLYING OVER WATER OFF COAST OF ANGOLA AND OTHER POSSIBLE ROUTES ARE NOT FEASIBLE.

3. WE REQUEST THEREFORE THAT WHEN YOU SEE KAUNDA TO

DISCUSS WITH HIM U.S. DESIRE TO BE FORTHCOMING IN PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO ZAMBIA YOU STATE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN SPECIFICALLY REQUESTED TO INFORM HIM THAT USG IS MOST ANXIOUS TO GET THIS SMALL UNARMED AIRCRAFT TO PRETORIA AND THAT WE WOULD HOPE THAT GRZ WOULD FIND ITS WAY CLEAR TO APPROVE OVERFLIGHT OF THIS AIRCRAFT ON ONE-TIME BASIS AS FRIENDLY GESTURE. INGERSOLL

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